

CITY OF HUNTINGTON PARK

Community Development Department Oversight Board Agenda Report

August 12, 2015

Honorable Chair and Members of the Oversight Board City of Huntington Park 6550 Miles Avenue Huntington Park, CA 90255

Dear Chair and Members of the Oversight Board:

INTRODUCTION OF TWO NEW OVERSIGHT BOARD MEMBERS OF THE SUCCESSOR AGENCY FOR THE COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF HUNTINGTON PARK

IT IS RECOMMENDED THAT THE OVERSIGHT BOARD:

1. Introduce two new members: Mr. Jhonny Pineda (Council Member appointed by Mayor) and Mr. Carlos Luis (represents largest employee organization of the former redevelopment agency)

PURPOSE/JUSTIFICATION OF RECOMMENDED ACTION

As part of the dissolution process of redevelopment, Successor Agencies were established to manage redevelopment projects, make payments on enforceable obligations, and dispose of redevelopment assets and properties. Each Successor Agency has an oversight board that supervises its work. Oversight Board members have a fiduciary responsibility to holders of enforceable obligations, as well as to the local agencies that would benefit from property tax distributions from the former redevelopment project area.

The oversight board is comprised of representatives of the local agencies that serve the redevelopment project area: the city, county, special districts, and K-14 educational agencies. Members of the oversight board must be appointed by the following:

- County Board of Supervisors (2 members)
- Mayor (2 members)
 - A sitting councilmember may be appointed to serve on the oversight board because holding both positions simultaneously is not incompatible.

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- 2. The second oversight board member appointed by the Mayor must be from a recognized employee organization representing the largest number of former redevelopment agency employees employed by the successor agency.
- County Superintendent of Education (one member)
- Chancellor of California Community Colleges (one member)
- Largest special district taxing entity (one member)

The Oversight Board of the Successor Agency of Huntington Park was formed in 2012. Since then Ms. Elba Guerrero former Council member and Mr. Alberto Fontanez, Planning Manager, served on the board representing the City. Mr. Alberto Fontanez is no longer an employee of the city and Mrs. Guerrero has resigned. On July 6, 2015 the City Council appointed two new members to fill these vacancies: Mr. Jhonny Pineda, Council Member and Mr. Carlos Luis, Senior Planner with the Community Development Department. Mr. Pineda was appointed by the Mayor and Mr. Luis represents the largest employee organization of the former redevelopment agency.

FISCAL IMPACT/FINANCING

There will be no financial impact as a result of this action. Members of the Oversight Board are to serve without compensation.

FACTS AND PROVISIONS/LEGAL REQUIREMENTS

Under the Court's decision, an Oversight Board must be established to supervise the activities of the Successor Agency. The Dissolution Act requires the Oversight Board to direct the Successor Agency to determine whether contracts, agreements or other arrangements between the former RDA and private parties should be terminated or renegotiated to reduce the Successor Agency's liabilities and to increase the net revenues to the taxing entities. The Oversight Board has fiduciary responsibility to holders of Enforceable Obligations and the taxing entities that benefit from distributions of property tax and other revenues. The actions of the Oversight Board of each Successor Agency will in turn be overseen by the Director of the Department of Finance.

CONCLUSION

The new members will begin attending regular Oversight Board meetings held the second Wednesdays of the month at 4:00 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

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